

**STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**  
**Statement of Legal Newspaper Ownership and Circulation** RECEIVED  
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1. TITLE OF NEWSPAPER		2. DATE	
<u>Hot Springs Star</u>		<u>9-30-04</u>	
3. FREQUENCY OF ISSUE	3A. NO. OF ISSUES PUBLISHED ANNUALLY	3B. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION PRICE \$	
<u>Weekly</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>33.00</u>	
4. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF KNOWN OFFICE OF PUBLICATION (Street, City, County, State and ZIP+4 Code) (Not printers)			
<u>PO Box 1000, Hot Springs, SD 57747</u>			
5. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE HEADQUARTERS OR GENERAL BUSINESS OFFICES OF THE PUBLISHER (Not printers)			
<u>107 N. Chicago, Hot Springs, SD 57747</u>			
6. FULL NAME OF PUBLISHER:		<u>Brett Nachtriyall</u>	
7. OWNER (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and list on the back of this form the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a partnership or other unincorporated firm, its name and address, as well as that of each individual must be given.)			
FULL NAME		COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS	
<u>Country Media, 1317 W. 42nd St., Scottsbluff, NE 69361</u>			
8. KNOWN BONDHOLDERS, MORTGAGES, AND OTHER SECURITY HOLDERS OWNING OR HOLDING 1 PERCENT OR MORE OF TOTAL AMOUNT OF BONDS, MORTGAGES OR OTHER SECURITIES (If there are none, so state. If more space is needed, list on back of this form.)			
<u>- See other side</u>			
9. EXTENT AND NATURE OF CIRCULATION		AVERAGE NO. COPIES EACH ISSUED PRECEDING 12 MONTHS	ACTUAL NO. COPIES ISSUED NEAREST TO FILING DATE
A. TOTAL NO. COPIES (Net Press Run)		<u>2150</u>	<u>2150</u>
B. PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION			
1. Sales through dealers and carriers, street vendors and counter sales.		<u>512</u>	<u>637</u>
2. Mail Subscription (Paid and or requested)		<u>1,470</u>	<u>1,414</u>
C. TOTAL PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION (Sum of 9B1 and 9B2)		<u>1,982</u>	<u>2,051</u>
D. FREE DISTRIBUTION			
1. BY MAIL, CARRIER OR OTHER MEANS		<u>14</u>	<u>14</u>
2. SAMPLES, COMPLIMENTARY AND OTHER FREE COPIES			
E. TOTAL DISTRIBUTION (Sum of C, D1 and D2)		<u>1,996</u>	<u>2,065</u>
F. COPIES NOT DISTRIBUTED			
1. Office use, left over, unaccounted, spoiled after printing		<u>154</u>	<u>85</u>
2. Return from News Agents			
G. TOTAL (Sum of E, F1 and F2 - Should equal net press run shown in A)		<u>2,150</u>	<u>2,150</u>

Statement must be signed by Publisher, Business Manager, or Owner in the presence of a Notary Public

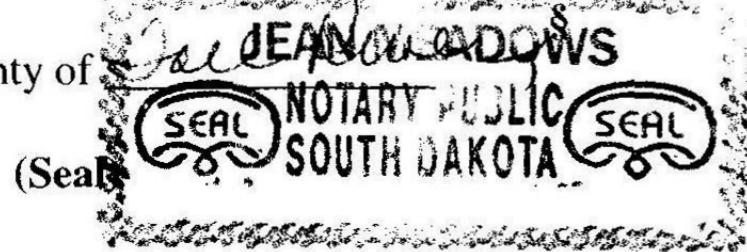
I swear that the statements made by me are true, correct, and complete:

Brett Nachtriyall  
(Signature)

Publisher  
(Title)

State of South Dakota

County of



(Seal)

Sworn to before me this 7 day of October, 2004

Jean Meadows  
Notary Public

My commission expires: 3-28-2005

Steve & Carol Hungerford, Scottsbluff, NE  
Kosman Investments LLC, Scottsbluff, NE  
Mirage Investments LLC, Scottsbluff, NE  
James Massey, Jr. Scottsbluff, NE  
Ward Green, Portland, OR  
MCG Finance Corp, Arlington, VA